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In re application: Martin

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For: Data Management Appliance

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Examiner: Thal, Tuan V.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

A fee of \$144.00 is required for 8 additional claims in excess of 20. No additional fees are believed to be necessary. If, however, any additional fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to Storage Technology Corporation Deposit Account No. 19-4545. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to Storage Technology Corporation Deposit Account No. 19-4545.

In response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.